

REMARKS

By this Amendment, claims 3 and 43 are amended. No new matter is added.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant acknowledges with thanks the Examiner's indication that claims 18, 20-21, 23, 24, 36-40, 44-45, 47-52, 54-60, and 62 recite allowable subject matter.

Claim Rejections: 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 3 and 43 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as reciting subject matter unpatentable over the Siccaprotect trade materials in view of WO 98/32421.

Claim 3 has been amended to require that the contact lens be a soft contact lens.

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